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SUBJECT: MOBUTU PLAN IN THE WAKE OF THE SHABA INVASION

1. BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTER'S DEPUTY CHEF DE CABINET
(ANDRE ONKELINX) TOLD US MAY 22 THAT MFA WAS ASKING ITS
EMBASSY IN KINSHASA TO DETERMINE THE STATUS OF THE
MOBUTU PLAN IN THE WAKE OF THE SHABA INVASION AND SPECI-
FICALLY TO REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF RECENT IMF MISSION
TO KINSHASA, THE SUCCESS OF WHICH WAS A PRE-CONDITION TO
HOLDING THE BRUSSELS INTERNATIONAL MEETING JUNE 13-14.
ONKELINX SAID BELGIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD ASSESS REPLY
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BEFORE CONSULTING WITH OTHER FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AND
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. HE EXPRESSED DOUBT AS TO
WHETHER THE BRUSSELS MEETING WOULD BE HELD AS
SCHEDULED BUT SAID THAT HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH
US WHEN HE HAD MORE INFORMATION.

2. ONKELINX COMMENTED THAT THE IMPACT ON THE ZAIRIAN

ECONOMY RESULTING FROM THE KOLWEZI ATTACK - E.G.
THE DAMAGE TO THE COPPER MINES AND THE FLIGHT OF
TRAINED EUROPEAN AND AFRICAN PERSONNEL - WILL REQUIRE
A NEW LOOK AT ZAIRE'S ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND STILL
ANOTHER REVISION OF THE MOBUTU PLAN DRAFT DOCUMENT.
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